

of said visual scene, and suspending and preventing an additional visual scene from being captured so that buffered scenes are preserved.

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Amel.* The triggering of the preservation of buffered scenes can also be accomplished by any combination of software mechanisms, firmware mechanisms, and/or hardware mechanisms. The firmware or software mechanisms will have programmable logic instructions that fire off a signal in response to an external event. The hardware mechanisms comprise at least one sensor (i.e. sensor 50) capable of detecting a physical event, wherein said physical event can be any combination of a physical impact, sudden changes in momentum, acceleration or sound wave amplitude patterns, shock wave and manual activation.

In addition, sound waves are captured in synchronization with a captured visual scene, the captured sound waves are buffered using a first-in-first-out mechanism in the same manner as for a visual scene; and the then buffered sound waves can be preserved for a predetermined period of time before and after an incident as a result of a manual or automatically detected triggering/external event.- -

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10, 17 and 21 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows: